

Table 46.
Number, average primary insurance amount, and average monthly family benefit, by family composition, 2006

Family composition	Number of families	Number of beneficiaries	Average primary insurance amount (dollars)	Average monthly family benefit ^a (dollars)	Percentage of families receiving maximum family benefit ^b
Worker only					
Men	331,482	331,482	1,198.60	1,169.10	10.8
Women	308,491	308,491	901.00	883.30	22.6
Worker with children					
By sex of worker					
Men	73,692	198,248	1,190.30	1,700.50	85.9
Women	61,546	163,990	906.00	1,229.80	89.1
By number of children					
1 child	72,451	144,902	1,079.20	1,493.00	84.7
2 children	42,100	126,300	1,061.00	1,511.60	90.3
3 or more children	20,687	91,036	996.60	1,411.30	90.7
Worker with—					
Spouse aged 62 or older ^c	5,846	11,715	1,545.00	1,839.00	8.5
Spouse aged 62 or older and 1 or more children	170	552	1,403.70	2,260.80	67.1
Spouse and 1 child	4,060	12,184	1,262.30	1,841.50	86.7
Spouse and 2 children	4,198	16,792	1,212.50	1,761.70	88.3
Spouse and 3 or more children	3,397	18,976	1,155.60	1,668.90	88.3

SOURCE: Social Security Administration, Annual Award and Termination Transaction file, 100 percent data.

NOTES: A family means beneficiaries entitled on one worker's account. The data may understate the number of families with dependents because records of awards to dependents made in a different calendar year are not available for inclusion.

Data exclude expedited reinstatement cases; they include beneficiaries whose benefits are being withheld.

- a. Benefits awarded before the December cost-of-living increase are converted to the December rates before averages are computed.
- b. Includes families and worker-only beneficiaries for whom the primary insurance amount is equal to the family maximum amount.
- c. If the spouse is also entitled to a retired-worker benefit, only the benefit amount received as a spouse is included.

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